

REMARKS

Claims 21, 23, and 24 remain in the application and have been amended hereby, with claim 22 having been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of the claims under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

As explained in the present specification, commencing at page 40, for example, the lamination system provided by the present invention as shown in Fig. 8, for example, employs a recording medium conveying section 71 that supplies the strip of holographic images to the recording medium cutting out section 72. Then, the images are cut out as shown in Fig. 7B and sent to a conveying section 73 where the images are to be fed and combined with a folded protecting film sheet. The protecting film sheet is folded in a protective film retaining and supply section 74 before being fed to a protective film opening and closing section 75. The folded film is opened and then the image from the hologram recording medium is inserted therein and fed to a laminating section 77.

The claims have been amended hereby to be more distinct and descriptive in describing the present invention, as shown in Fig. and explained hereinabove. In addition, the pieces of protecting film are now recited as being folded in half along a fold line. Thus, the film opening and closing means opens the folded protecting film at an edge opposite the fold line.

Accordingly, in view of the amendments made to the claims hereby, as well as the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are clear and definite in their recitation of the present invention and meet all requirements of 35 USC 112.

The references cited as of interest have been reviewed and are not seen to show or suggest the present invention as recited in the amended claims.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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